

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS**Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §103**

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4, 62-64, 68-74 and 77-79 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent No. 5,687,939 (the '939 patent) taken alone, or alternatively, in view of JP/3,291,722. Accordingly, but without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, the applicant cancels these claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has objected to claims 65-67, 75 and 76 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would allow these claims if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, the applicant has rewritten these claims in this manner. (Note that an error appearing in the previous claim 66, "modularly configured modularly configurable", has been changed to "modularly configurable" in new claim 66.) Therefore, favorable consideration of these claims is requested.

New Claims

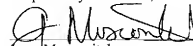
The applicant has added new claims 80-98 based on information provided by the Examiner in his "Allowable Subject Matter" section. Favorable consideration of these claims is requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendment and remarks, applicant requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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